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**IN THE ABSTRACT**

Please replace the Abstract with the following rewritten paragraph:

**DEVICE FOR UTILIZATION WITH THE SYNCHRONIZATION OF CLOCK SIGNALS, AS WELL AS CLOCK SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZING METHOD**

**Abstract**

~~The invention relates to~~ A clock signal synchronizing method and ~~to~~ an apparatus device (1) for utilization with the synchronization of clock signals ~~(CLK)~~ is disclosed. In one embodiment, the apparatus includes a, ~~comprising~~ delay device (2) with a variably controllable delay time ( $t_{var}$ ) into which a clock signal ~~(CLK)~~, or a signal obtained therefrom, is input, charged with the variably controllable delay time ( $t_{var}$ ), and output as a delayed clock signal ~~(DQS)~~.

~~characterized in that~~

a device (5) is provided for determining whether a clock edge ( $A'$ ) of the delayed clock signal ~~(DQS)~~ output by the delay device (2), or of a signal ~~(PB)~~ obtained therefrom, lies within a predetermined time window before a corresponding clock edge ( $A$ ) of the clock signal ~~(CLK)~~, or of the signal obtained therefrom.

~~Figure 3~~